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		RS.	A.	P.	
A.—(1)	L.M.P.	33	5	4	per mensem.
(2)	L.M.S. and M.B.B.S.	50	0	0	"
(3)	Medical practitioners employing qualified midwives.	An additional subsidy of Rs. 8–5–4 per mensem.			

Transfer of rural medical practitioners.

*1738 Q.—Dr. B. S. MALLAYYA: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that G.O. No. 1154, P.H., dated 14th June 1927, lays down that rural practitioners should not be transferred from one place to another;

(b) whether in spite of that Government Order such transfers have been made by some taluk boards; and

(c) if so, the number of such transfers and the reasons therefor?

A.—(a) Yes.

(b) & (c) The Surgeon-General has recently reported to the Government a case of the kind in a certain taluk board area. The matter is being looked into. No other cases have come to the notice of the Government.

Increase of allowance to rural medical practitioners.

*1739 Q.—Mr. A. B. SHETTY: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government propose to increase the allowance given to rural medical practitioners, and if so, by how much;

(b) how many medical graduates are working as rural practitioners in this province; and

(c) whether it is a fact that some taluk boards still continue to transfer rural practitioners though G.O. No. 1154, dated 14th June 1927, prohibits such transfers?

A.—(a) Yes, as shown below:—

	Existing.	Proposed.	
	Plains and Agency.	Plains.	Agency.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
L.M.Ps.	400	500	600
L.M.Ss. and M.B.B.Ss.	600	600	700
Medical practitioners employing qualified midwives (additional subsidy).	100	300	400

(b) The Government have no information.

(c) The Surgeon-General has just reported such a case in a certain taluk board area. No other cases have come to notice.

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Mr. A. B. SHETTY :—" May I know whether Medical graduates are generally unwilling to settle down as rural practitioners ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" Government are not aware of any such unwillingness, but there are medical practitioners in rural areas also."

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO :—" May I know from the hon. Minister whether he is prepared to consider the question of instructing the taluk boards to pay all travelling allowances to these medical practitioners wherever they are transferred in the manner indicated in the questions and answers ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" There is no question of transfer at all contemplated. In one case, we understand that one man was transferred by the taluk board and we have asked the taluk board why he was transferred."

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO :—" May I know if the hon. Minister has got any information that a number of such rural practitioners are transferred in the taluk board area of the Kurnool district ? "

The hon. the PRESIDENT :—" The question was answered. Government's knowledge relates only to one case."

Appointment of licensed Indian medical graduates to rural dispensaries.

*1740 Q.—Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI : Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state, with reference to question No. 635 answered on 26th November 1928,—

(a) whether the Government now propose to remove the restrictions placed on the appointment of licensed Indian medical graduates for rural dispensaries by local boards ; and

(b) if not, why not ?

A.—(a) & (b) Orders are under issue permitting local boards to appoint L.I.Ms. in rural dispensaries.

Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI :—" May I know what allowances will be granted to L.I.Ms.? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" As L.M.Ps."

Mr. ABDUL HAMEED KHAN :—" May I know which of the local boards have applied to Government for the removal of these restrictions ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" I do not exactly remember what all local boards have applied. We are issuing orders generally."

Mr. ABDUL HAMEED KHAN :—" May I know if any of the local boards applied for the removal of the restrictions on persons who have got diploma from the School of Indian Medicine in the subject of Unani ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" L.I.Ms. include persons who have taken school course both in Unani, Ayurveda and Siddha. It will apply to all."

Diwan Bahadur R. N. AROGYASWAMI MUDALIYAR :—" May I know whether it is proposed to remove the restrictions. . . . "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" That is what we intend doing and orders are being issued to that effect."